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25X1 1. [REDACTED] the KVP unit in Prenzlau had the following ration strengths on 12 and 25 October 1953:

| Headquarters and Headquarters Units | 12 October     | 25 October |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|------------|
| Division headquarters               | 88/45          | 97/36      |
| Soviet advisers                     | 26/8 (drivers) |            |
| Headquarters company                | 1/63           | 5/63       |
| Kommando school                     | 9/71           |            |
| Chemical defense platoon            | 1/22           | 1/23       |
| Motor transport detail              | 6/64           | 6/63       |
| Maintenance unit                    | 7/61           | 7/57       |
| Hospital                            | 1/93           |            |
| D-1 unit (signal battalion)         | 16/457         | 142        |
| S-4 unit (AT unit)                  | 169            |            |
| S-5 unit (AAA unit)                 | 208            |            |
| Driving school                      |                | 191        |
| S-1 unit (motorcycle unit)          |                | 141        |
| Headquarters battery                |                | 39         |
| Flash- and sound-signal section     |                | 46         |
| Bakery company                      |                | 35         |

The motorcycle battalion, the headquarters battery, the flash- and sound signal section, and the bakery company moved from Broegheide to Prenzlau during the period under review.

2d A-Kommando (infantry regiment):

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|---------------|--------|--------|
| Staff Huonter | 49/25  | 49/30  |
| 1st Bn        | 10/291 | 38/294 |
| 2d Bn         | 11/234 | 37/291 |
| 3d Bn         | 13/317 | 40/326 |
| S-1 unit      | 5/23   | 4/31   |
| S-2 "         | 5/32   | 5/34   |
| S-3 "         | 5/46   | 4/46   |
| S-4 "         | 4/33   | 6/37   |
| S-5 "         | 1/24   | 1/24   |
| S-6 "         | 2/40   | 3/40   |
| S-7 "         | 5/23   | 5/23   |

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| Regimental school       |       | 16/79 |
| Headquarters platoon    |       | -/10  |
| Motor transport company | 5/74  | 7/56  |
| First aid station       | 1/12  | 1/35  |
| Chemical defense detail | -/6   | -/6   |
| Military band           | 2/16  | -/12  |
| Supply section          |       | -/9   |
| Tailors and shoemakers  | -/11  |       |
| Assigned to stock rooms | -/4   | -/1   |
| In arrest               | -/13  | -/19  |
| 1st A-Kommando          | 1,800 |       |
| B-Kommando              | 1,167 |       |
| C-Kommando              | 547   | 1     |

2. Between 26 September and 6 October, the KVP unit in Prenzlaw was inspected by about 130 officers of the KVP Department of the Ministry of the Interior. The officers stated that the status of training reached by the unit was unsatisfactory.<sup>2</sup>

3. Between 19 and 25 October, the 2d A-Kommando received another 12 armored personnel carriers. The unit had to transfer part of its motor vehicle equipment to a new division, the headquarters of which was being organized in Potsdam. Some of the units of this headquarters were stationed in Oranienburg. The division involved was allegedly stationed in Berlin.<sup>3</sup>

4. [redacted] officers of the KVP unit in Prenzlaw were soon to be transferred to Saxony and Thuringia for the organization of further KVP recruiting offices. [redacted] the recruiting campaign for the KVP was in full swing particularly in Saxony.<sup>4</sup>

1. [redacted] Comment. The total strength of Bereitschaft Prenzlaw is estimated at about 7,000 men on the basis of these data. This indicates that the strength of the unit has hardly changed since late August. [redacted] not report the figures on the strength of the 3d A-Kommando in Droegheide and of the engineer battalion. It is furthermore pointed out that the ration strength figures reported are subject to great fluctuations and that the error in estimate resulting from these fluctuations may amount to up to 1,000 men. As compared with the status of late August, the Tank SF Kommando (C-Kommando) has about 120 fewer personnel. There is a possibility that this Kommando transferred personnel to the new Mechanized Bereitschaft in Potsdam. [redacted]

[redacted] The tank SF regiment of deactivated Bereitschaft Prora has also transferred troops to Bereitschaft Potsdam, i.e. to Oranienburg where a tank unit has been activated. [redacted]

2. [redacted] Comment. Information on inspections held during the reported period was furnished also [redacted]

3. [redacted] Comment. The new armored personnel carriers arrived from the USSR via Oranienburg. [redacted]

4. [redacted]

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